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SECRET SOCIETIES.

Colored secret societies especially contain too many sun-down professionals. It is a dangerous thing to many societies where they have lawyers who don't practice law outside of their immediate organizations. Then again there are lawyers in active practice who give their societies the wrong kind of advice. The case in question is that of Edward Ambler, tried in the Municipal Court last week. The evidence showed that he was a member in good standing, and there was no law in the land to prevent him from receiving his benefits. Some sun-down lawyer in the organization advised the association not to pay the benefits, but let him sue. Mr. Ambler did sue, and the result was that he got judgment with a reprimand to the organization. Now some smart member offered an amendment to the constitution, thinking that it will effect this particular member. If the members of the Crispus Attucks have any sense at all they ought to know that no retroactive law would be effective against this particular member. Sun-down lawyers, as well as sun-down physicians, are dangerous in any society or organization. The chairman of the sick committee, Mr. Ed. Walter Turner, remarked immediately after the judgment by the court that he intended to appeal the case. If the members of the organization have any respect for themselves they will not listen to the chairman of the sick committee or any of these sun-down lawyers, who will involve the organization in a more serious trouble.

The Bee casts no reflection on the attorney who defended the case, because he made a good fight, but the law and evidence were against him. It is unfortunate that men who have a smattering knowledge of the legal profession, and who never practice, should arrogate to themselves that they are great lawyers and that their advice is pre-eminent.

This same organization some few years ago appointed a committee to have the organization incorporated. One of these sun-down lawyers, who arrogates to himself as being a man of profound legal ability, offered an amendment to the motion that the committee should select a lawyer who was an expert in drawing up articles or incorporation. One member of the committee, who was not a lawyer, of his own volition selected a well-known colored lawyer to draw up the articles of incorporation. The articles were approved by the Insurance Commission and the Recorder of Deeds. The sun-down lawyer declared that he had secured a well-known white lawyer, and he had seen the articles that he (the white lawyer) had drawn up. Upon investigation no articles had been drawn up except those by the colored attorney, so it can be seen that these sun-down lawyers cannot do themselves, and they will prevent others from doing if they can.

GOVERNMENT DISCRIMINATION.

This is a Republican administration and a so-called republican form of government. The President of the United States, Mr. Taft, was elected as a Republican President, but as President of the United States, as the President of all the people, irrespective of color or condition, as President of the United States, he has

drawn the color line himself by discriminating against the Negro in the South in favor of the white man. In several departments of the government colored clerks are segregated and discriminated against on account of their color. On the face of this discrimination by the administration and other Republicans, there are hundreds of Negroes in this city who are drawing the color line against each other. That is, there is a lily white secret movement on foot to organize against themselves. The question The Bee wants answered, should this class of Negroes have any consideration, or should their cause be espoused by the press of the country? If the government discriminates and Negroes discriminate against themselves, why should Negroes complain? That is the question. Every day The Bee is in receipt of a communication concerning an attempt on the part of a few Negroes who have lost cast at their own homes, organizing a lily white society. When The Bee gets its data complete an expose will be made of these shams for the good of the many. These lily white organizations are gotten up by Negroes in the several departments who complain that they are discriminated against.

About twenty-five years ago The Bee had occasion to expose and brake up one of these organizations and retire to private life the prince of lily-whitism. He died an ignominious death after having disgraced himself and his mistress.

When we can get rid of the lily white Negro in this city the better condition of the social element will be.

WHITE AND BLACK.

Is the white race, as a whole, against the Negro? This is a question which The Bee shall briefly discuss in this article. In another column of this paper will be seen a special from New York in which it is stated that Judge J. C. Pritchard, of the Circuit Court of the United States, is in New York in the interest of the National Religious Training School, of Durham, N. C. It means something for a Circuit Court judge to leave his State and bench and canvass for a colored school without compensation or hope of reward. Judge Pritchard is a man of honor, fearless in discussion and deliberate in everything. When he was upon the bench of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, he was the boss of his job. He is like Judge Wright; would not permit the interference of the United States attorney's office or any one else. He cared not for public opinion when he knew that he was in the right. The people of North Carolina respect Judge Pritchard, and will ever feel grateful to him for the interest he has taken in the National Religious Training School, of Durham, N. C.

Dr. James E. Shepard is to be congratulated on having such able men as Judge Pritchard and ex-Governor Glenn. Dr. Shepard deserves credit for the good work that he is accomplishing for his people in this country. His school is a new propaganda to the educational world. When he can get such able and distinguished men as Judge Pritchard and ex-Gov. Glenn to appeal to the American people to help him, it means a great deal more than a passing notice.

"TEMPEST IN A TEAPOT."

A few days ago a member of Congress by the name of Bennett, took it into his head that he had struck a volcano by demanding an investigation of the local government, the Excise Board in particular. The investigation, so far, is a mountain in a mole-hill, and the volcano turned out to be a "tempest in a teapot." Mr. Bennett has declared that he has not the time to bother with it, and hence he will turn it over until next session to abler hands, who will endeavor to do what Mr. Bennett failed to do. If the charges are as serious as Mr. Bennett alleged, it would seem to us that he would not let them drop. He declared a few days ago, if daily newspaper reports are true, that he would push this matter to the end. Mr. Bennett ought to know, if he doesn't already, that the two civil Commissioners don't have any cause to do small things. Mr. Rudolph is a Christian gentleman, and Mr. Johnston is a millionaire. He has money to burn, and his job is only a recreation for him. The other charges should not be given a passing notice. Mr. Kalbfus has won his way by hard work and honesty, and if a gov-

ernment official can't transfer and speculate in property if he wants to do so, he had better die.

Democrats Oppose Us.

When the House of Representatives took up the District Appropriation bill in Committee of the Whole, Congressman Johnson, of Kentucky, on a point of order, knocked out the appropriations for the colored schools which Congressman Taylor had labored so hard to put in. Here we have another evidence of the Democrats' love for us. The colored schools of the District are sorely in need of all that Congress can do for them. M Street High School is crowded—over crowded—and the facilities and equipments and arrangements poor, and far behind the white high schools; and yet this Democratic member from Kentucky would not stand for a new site for M Street. When Democrats oppose education for colored people, to The Bee it does not appear as if they care for our support. In fact, it looks as if they want to drive us further down. Along with the defeat, because of a Democratic Congressman's opposition, went the appropriation of \$75,000 for a new colored normal school and appropriation for Armstrong. The Bee appeals to the Senate Committee on Appropriations to restore these appropriations for colored schools when the bill reaches the Senate. It is an outrage that the colored youth should be denied facilities and accommodations to secure an education. Those colored men who are advising that the race support the Democratic ticket now have another object lesson before them of the Democrats' consistent enmity to the race.

THE EXCISE BOARD.

Whenever an individual can not use the Excise Board for his own personal aggrandizement, he goes about to find fault with it. From the experience that The Bee has had, it found the Excise Board a tough proposition to deal with. It is evident that no license is granted through favoritism. Every material compliance with the law must be fulfilled, no matter who the individual may be. There have been all kinds of lawyers who go before the Excise Board; some small, some tall, some large and some great in their own estimation, and they are all treated about alike, with a few exceptions. The bigger the lawyer is the less consideration he gets from the standpoint of The Bee. So it can be seen that it is not influence that controls the board. If you have a meritorious case you will win, if not you will lose.

WOODWARD'S SUCCESSOR.

The faculty of Howard University will appoint a man the successor of Mr. Woodward who is well versed in real property. Sentiment will not control this appointment. Because a man graduates in law is no evidence that he is a lawyer. The faculty has not as yet considered any candidate, and when the Dean of the Law Department makes his recommendation to the board of trustees of Howard University it will be given proper consideration if it is the proper man. The Bee knows this much, and watch its prediction. The successor of Mr. Woodward is to be an experienced lawyer in real property, one of the most important chairs in the law department of Howard University. He must be on the order of the present Dean, who previously taught this subject.

MRS. RUSSELL SAGE.

Dr. James E. Shepard, of Durham, N. C., may feel highly congratulated to have received such a handsome gift for his school through Judge J. C. Pritchard, from Mrs. Russell Sage. It was a gift that will be appreciated by the people of this country, because Dr. Shepard is doing a work that will be a benefit to his people. Mrs. Sage only gives for a worthy cause, and it is quite evident that the work of Dr. Shepard is a meritorious one. The Bee is proud of this young Napoleon of a new propaganda. He is a man of great executive ability, and is able to do something for his people. The Durham school is a fact and a certainty.

BURDENS OF THEIR OWN.

No doubt Major Judson and Commissioner Johnston have burdens enough of their own instead of meddling with the school question. While The Bee takes no stock in the Bennett charges, assisted by Horstman, it will take all the time of the Commissioners to let Congress know that the local government is being properly conducted. Everybody knows that Mr. Kalbfus is an honest man. Because a man is a member of the Excise Board or assistant assessor should not be a bar to him in purchasing property. There are some people too honest to live upon the earth. Their place is in Heaven.

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DR. W. P. THIRKIELD.

The President of Howard University, Dr. W. P. Thirkield, is not guilty of all that is charged against him. Whatever may be his faults, he certainly is one white man who is doing all he can for the uplift of the Negro. The daily press charge him in a sense with having taken back water in the Dr. White affair. Dr. Thirkield stands today where he stood years ago, and there is no man, white or black, who has defended the Negro, on all occasions, braver than he has. He believes in the redemption of the African Negro, and if we had more men like him, the Negro would fare better.

"CAPPERS" OUT OF COURT.

The judges of the Police Court say that they want to break up the "cappers and capping" in and around the court. This is a hard proposition, because "capping" first begins in and around many of the station houses. There are "cappers" at large who should be taken up as vagrants. The vagrant laws are not enforced sufficiently. If they were the prince of "cappers," who hangs in and around the Police Court morning and afternoon, would be locked up and tried.

NO CURFEW LAW.

The Bee is opposed to the enactment of a Curfew law, and any man who advocates it hasn't all of his senses about him. Why should we have such a law in the District of Columbia? The fact is, if such a law was enacted, how many respectable children would be picked up on the public streets and carried to the House of Detention, and there placed beside some of the most vicious elements in this community. No, we don't want such a law.

"AND THOU, TOO, BRUTUS."

And now it has come to the knowledge of The Bee that the colored inmates of the Government Hospital for the Insane are not permitted to occupy seats in the main auditorium of the musical or dramatic hall of the hospital. They are all sent upstairs in the gallery. The Bee calls the attention of Dr. White to this discrimination, because it doesn't believe that he knows of this dis-

crimination.

DISTRICT REPUBLICANS.

The colored Republicans of the District of Columbia will reorganize very shortly for 1912. Every effort will be made to have a representative colored Republican organization.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS.

The Executive Committee Representing Every State.

The Executive Committee of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools held its regular annual meeting at Tuskegee Institute, Ala., Jan. 19, 1911. The committee is composed of the following:

Chairman, M. W. Dogan, President, Wiley University, Marshall, Tex.
R. R. Wright, President, State College, Savannah, Ga.
J. H. A. Brazzleton, Principal, Douglass High School, Oklahoma City, Okla.
S. R. Youngblood, Langston, Okla.
W. R. Valentine, City Schools, Indianapolis, Ind.
G. W. Trenholm, Principal, City Schools, Tusculum, Ala.
T. S. Inboden, President, Joseph K. Brick School, Enfield, N. C.
Mrs. J. E. McRiley, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Sylvania Williams, City Schools, New Orleans, La.
Thomas Miller, President, State College, Orangeburg, S. C.
L. B. Moore, Dean, Teachers' College, Washington, D. C.
L. J. Rowan, President, A. & M. College, Alcorn, Miss.
E. L. Blackshear, President, State Schools, Prairie View, Tex.
O. L. Coleman, President, Coleman College, Gibsland, La.
W. J. Hale, Principal, City Schools, Chattanooga, Tenn.
President W. T. B. Williams, ex-officio, Hampton, Va.
Corresponding Secretary, J. R. E. Lee, ex-officio, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

In addition to the members of the committee, the following distinguished educators were present at the meeting:

M. M. Ponton, President, Campbell College, Jackson, Miss.
Rev. William Singleton, Chairman, Executive Board, Campbell College, Jackson, Miss.
Joseph S. Wiley, Principal, Fessenden Academy, Fessenden, Fla.
Rev. A. A. Graham, Hampton, Va.
John Hope, President, A. B. C. College, Atlanta, Ga.
Walter S. Buchanan, President, A. & M. College, Normal, Ala.
E. W. Lee, President, Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga.
S. B. Jones, M. D., A. & M. College, Greensboro, N. C.
B. J. Boulware, President, Clinton N. & I. L. Rock Hill, S. C.
M. P. Hall, President, Friendship College, Rock Hill, S. C.
W. H. Singleton, Principal, City Schools, Chattanooga, Tenn.
This session of the committee was given up largely to the consideration of the ways and means for enlargement of the work of the Association, together with direct plans for the coming meeting at St. Louis, July 26-30, 1911.

Program.

The general outline of the program for the meeting was settled upon Wednesday evening, July 26, will be given up to welcome addresses, responses and the annual address of the President. Thursday is to be devoted largely to the elementary schools, arrangements being made for a number of papers, followed by round-table meetings, closing with public addresses in the evening. On Friday the Association will give itself to the consideration of secondary schools, this including high schools and industrial institutes, closing the day with further public addresses. On Saturday the discussion will be confined to high schools and colleges, closing the day with business sessions.

According to the plan of the committee, there is to be one day-light session each day, the day session closing at 2 o'clock. On Sunday at 11 o'clock the various members of the Association are to be distributed in the churches throughout the city of St. Louis. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock there is to be an auditorium meeting, in which it is hoped that the entire citizenship of St. Louis will unite with the teachers in a final mammoth meeting.

Plans were also made for special car State delegations.

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